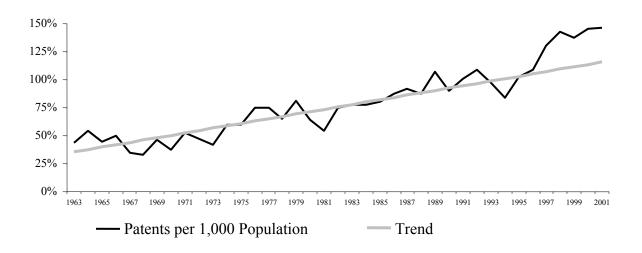
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The increase in Washington's share of patents does not take into account Washington's more rapid population growth. Chart A.A represents the state's patents per capita as a share of U.S. patents per capita. In the 1960s, Washington's share of per capita patents was about half the national average. In the late 1990s, Washington's share rose to about 150 percent of the national average, well above a 30-year time trend.

Chart A.A
High Technology Industries
WA as a Percent of U.S. Patents per 1,000 Population



High Tech Patents: Washington's Ranking Relative to Other States

Table A.1 ranks Washington against 49 states (excluding New Hampshire) and the District of Columbia in terms of high tech patents issued per state resident. The ranks are for the seven years prior to enactment of Washington's high tech incentives (1988-1994) and seven years after (1995-2001). The 55 high tech patent classes are those that are similar to the statutory definition of technologies that qualify for Washington's high tech incentives.

Washington is ranked 1 in a high tech patent class if it has the most patents per resident of the other states and D.C. Washington's total score relative to other states improved considerably after the high tech programs were implemented.

Table A.1 Washington Ranked by the Number of Patents Per Resident Compared to 49 States and the District of Columbia Rank: 1=highest rank, 50=lowest rank

-		1988-		
Patent Class		1994	2001	
244	Aeronautics	1	1	
345	Computer Graphics Processing, Operator Interface Processing, and Selective Visual Display	12	1	
707	DP: Database and File Management, Data Structures, Or Document Processing	11	1	
717	DP: Software Development, Installation, and Management (Data Processing)	15	1	
376	Induced Nuclear Reactions: Processes, Systems, and Elements	7	2	
607	Surgery: Light, Thermal, and Electrical Application	3	2	
530	Chemistry: Natural Resins or Derivatives; Peptides or Proteins; Lignins or Reaction Products	2	3	
704	DP: Speech Signal Processing, Linguistics, Language Translation, and Audio Compression	15	3	
709	Multiple Computer or Process Coordinating (Electrical Computers and Digital Processing)	11	3	
128	Surgery (includes Class 600)	10	4	
382	Image Analysis	16	4	
117	Single-Crystal, Oriented-Crystal, and Epitaxy Growth Processes; Non-Coating Apparatus	28	5	
347	Incremental Printing of Symbolic Information	9	5	
435	Chemistry: Molecular Biology and Microbiology	8	5	
353	Optics: Image Projectors	13	7	
455	Telecommunications	13	8	
701	DP: Vehicles, Navigation, and Relative Location (Data Processing)	2	8	
703	DP: Structural Design, Modeling, Simulation, and Emulation (Data Processing)	12	9	
705	DP: Financial, Business Practice, Management, or Cost/Price Determination (Data Processing	g) 25	9	
73	Measuring and Testing	6	10	
331	Oscillators	6	10	
341	Coded Data Generation or Conversion	10	11	
588	Hazardous or Toxic Waste Destruction or Containment	12	11	
342	Communications: Directive Radio Wave Systems and Devices (e.g., Radar, Radio Navigation	12	13	
436	Chemistry: Analytical and Immunological Testing	12	13	
505	Superconductor Technology: Apparatus, Material, Process	28	13	
711	Memory (Electrical Computers and Digital Processing Systems)	14	13	
370	Multiplex Communications	31	14	
399	Electrophotography	19	14	
438	Semiconductor Device Manufacturing: Process	16	15	
706	DP: Artificial Intelligence (Data Processing)	31	15	
367	Communications, Electrical: Acoustic Wave Systems and Devices	14	16	
424	Drug, Bio-Affecting and Body Treating Compositions (includes Class 514)	19	16	
604	Surgery (Medicators and Receptors)	19	16	
716	DP: Design and Analysis of Circuit or Semiconductor Mask (Data Processing)	10	16	
340	Communications: Electrical	6	17	
356	Optics: Measuring and Testing	16	17	
379	Telephonic Communications	16	17	

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359	Optics: Systems (Including Communication) and Elements	17	18	
360	Dynamic Magnetic Information Storage or Retrieval	16	18	
423	Chemistry of Inorganic Compounds	35	18	
700	DP: Generic Control Systems or Specific Applications (Data Processing)	25	18	
501	Compositions: Ceramic	36	19	
257	Active Solid-State Devices (e.g., Transistors, Solid-State Diodes)	25	20	
326	Electronic Digital Logic Circuitry	14	20	
368	Horology: Time Measuring Systems or Devices	17	20	
218	High-Voltage Switches with Arc Preventing or Extinguishing Devices	18	21	
385	Optical Waveguides	15	21	
702	DP: Measuring, Calibrating, or Testing (Data Processing)	4	21	
369	Dynamic Information Storage or Retrieval	23	22	
532	Organic Compounds (includes Classes 532-570)	36	22	
494	Imperforate Bowl: Centrifugal Separators	17	26	
204	Chemistry: Electrical and Wave Energy	26	30	
429	Chemistry: Electrical Current Producing Apparatus, Product, and Process	31	30	
378	X-Ray or Gamma Ray Systems or Devices	<u>27</u>	<u>31</u>	
Sum of Ranks		892	723	

Source: U.S. Patent Office